Fall in the Production of Punjabi and Gujarati Films

3950. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a steep fall in the production of Punjabi and Gujarati feature films during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the total number of Punjabi and Gujarati feature films produced and certified by the Central Board of Fil m Censors during the period from 1989 -90 to 1991-92?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS) : (a) and (b) Production of feature films is predominently in the private sector. The total number of feature films in Punjabi and Gujarati certified by the Central Board of Film Certification during the last three calendar years is as under:--

Year	Total number of feature films certified	
	Punjabi	Gujarati
1989 . . .	2	9
1990 . . .	7	14
1991 . . .	9	16

International Film Festival of India

3951. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) when and where the International Film Festival of India (IFFI)) is likely to be organised ;

(b) whether any budgetary allocation for the purpose has been made in 1992-93 if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how Government plan to approach in organising this festival to make it prestigious and competitive for the whole world ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Next International Film Festival of India (IFFI) will be held in New Delhi.

(b) In the budget estimates 1992-93 of the Ministry of Information and Broad casting an allocation of funds of Rs.'80 lakhs has been made for this purpose.

(c) The Government has decided that the next IFFI would bs competitive.

Coverage of EKTA Yatra

3952. SHRI KRISHAN LAL S HARM A: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 523 in the Rajya Sabha on 27-2-92 regarding coverage of Ekta Yatra by electronic media and state:

(a) whether the Ekta Yatra was given visual coverage on any day during its journey;

(b) if so, the days on which the visual coverage was given and its duration:

(c) whether any camera team was sent by Government at Lal Chowk, Sri-nagar to cover the flag hoisting cecrmony there; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Due to prohibitory orders imposed on movement in the area .

Central Legislation to Monitor Distribution of Video Cassettes

3953. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to make central legislation to organise and monitor distribution of video cassettes to avoid video piracy; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?